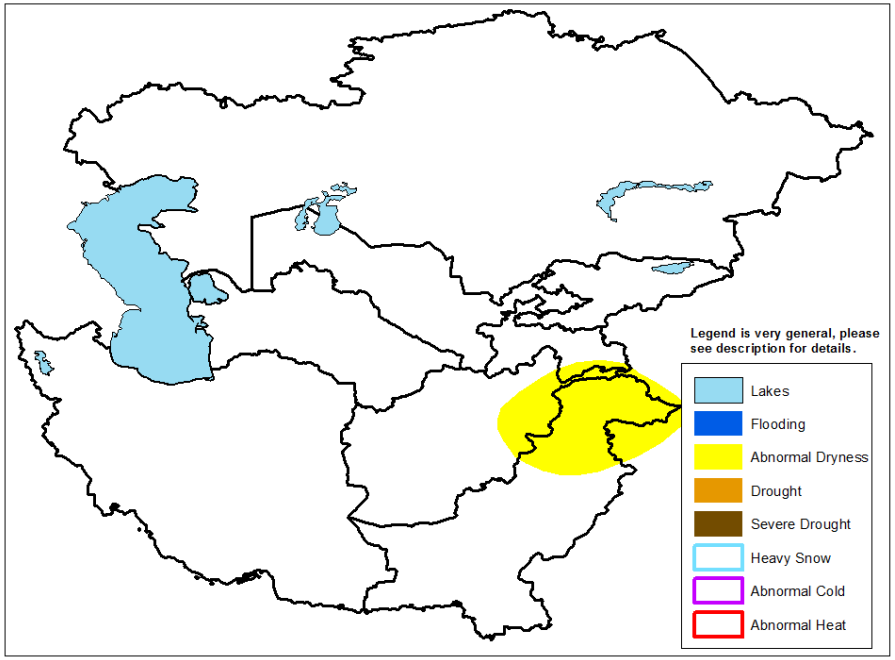
Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook
November 9 - 15, 2017

Temperatures:

Much above-normal temperatures (6 to 10 degrees C) were observed across Afghanistan, southern Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan from October 31 to November 6. Maximum temperatures were as high as 38 degrees C in southern Turkmenistan. Although above-normal temperatures are forecast to persist throughout the region, maximum temperatures are not expected to be quite as anomalous as the previous week. Subfreezing temperatures are forecast to be limited to the northern half of Kazakhstan and the higher elevations of Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan.

Precipitation

Precipitation (2 to 25 mm, locally more) was observed in a swath through central Kazakhstan, western Uzbekistan and Turkmenistan, as well as in Kyrgyzstan and neighboring southeast Kazakhstan. Dry weather persisted over the remainder of the region. Based on CMORPH precipitation estimates that feature precipitation deficits of more than 25 mm during the past 30 days and recent above-normal temperatures, abnormal dryness is posted for parts of eastern Afghanistan and northern Pakistan. During the next week, precipitation is forecast to occur across Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and eastern Kazakhstan. Some shower activity is possible over abnormally dry areas, potentially bringing a bit of improvement. With continued above-normal temperatures, less precipitation than usual should fall as snow.



Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts or indicate current or projected food security conditions.

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